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Elections by the Legislature.

All Judges Re-elected—Also College Trustees.

Columbia Record.

Today was election day in the legislature. The house was in session two hours before the time appointed, but only uncontested bills were disposed of and they were of no general interest. The senate met at 11 o'clock, most members expecting to have an hour for the transaction of calendar work, but they misapprehended the time for the elections and had hardly more than assembled when the body went to the house.

Legislative elections are long and tedious processes, whether there is one or more candidates for any position. The vote must be by ballot, necessitating the calling of the roll of both houses for each election.

The first held this morning was for chief justice. Chief Justice Pope had no opposition and was placed in nomination by Senator Hudson. He received the whole number of votes cast—146. Justice Pope succeeded the late Chief Justice McIver, filling an unexpired term. His present term is for eight years.

There was no opposition to Judge C. G. Dantzer, who was unanimously reelected.

For the Second circuit there were two candidates—Judge Aldrich, the incumbent, and Senator Warren, of Hampton. Judge Aldrich was reelected, the vote being: Aldrich, 118; Warren, 32.

Judge R. O. Purdy was renominated for the Third circuit, and, there being no opposition, he was unanimously elected.

Judge Watts also went through without opposition.

Judge Gage also had clear sailing and was reelected unanimously. Judge Klugh, however, had an opponent in Senator McGowan, of Laurens, but he was reelected, the vote standing Klugh 100; McGowan, 41.

The contest for state librarian was between Miss LaBorde, the incumbent, and Miss S. M. A. Black, of Fairfield. Miss LaBorde was reelected, her vote being 136 to 14 for Miss Black.

Two directors for the penitentiary were elected, both being incumbents and having no opposition, they being Messrs Penrifoy and Wingo.

Dr. E. S. Joynes, A. M. Lee and J. W. Roddey succeeded themselves as trustees of Winthrop, as do Messrs W. T. C. Bates, J. Q. Davis, and August Kohn as trustees of the South Carolina college.

Eighteen persons were killed Sunday night by a panic in a colored church in Philadelphia, caused by an alarm of fire.

Defense of Roosevelt—Spooner Replies to Tillman's Attack on President.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 24.—For more than three hours today Mr. Spooner occupied the time of the senate in explanation and defense of the course of the administration relative to the Moroccan conference at Algeria and in connection with Santo Domingo. The speech was delivered to crowded galleries and a well filled senate and received careful attention throughout.

In main it was a response to the speeches of Mr. Bacon and Mr. Tillman and its purpose was to justify the president's acts in both matters under discussion. There were frequent interruptions by Mr. Tillman and some sharp exchanges at repartee between him and Mr. Spooner. This amused galleries, but once or twice Mr. Spooner showed he was annoyed and once he made serious protest against Mr. Tillman's imputations that Mr. Spooner's appearance in the case was that of a special advocate for the administration.

About Pensions:

Information for the Uninformed.

A Confederate veteran of Pleasant Valley writes to us for some information about pensions, asking us to make answer through the columns of The News. He states that he has seen nothing from the pension board in this paper.

Our old friend has evidently overlooked the publications heretofore made in relation to pensions. In the issue of The News of December 20th the fact was noted that Mr. W. B. Bruce had been reappointed pension commissioner for Lancaster county. And in The News of the 6th instant Commissioner Bruce himself published a notice to the effect that on every Saturday in the month of January he would be in the Supervisor's office for the purpose of receiving new applications for pensions.

Those already on the pension rolls do not have to reapply. It is only new applicants who have to file paper etc new. It will probably be some 60 or 90 days before pensions will be paid, the amount of which is not yet fixed.

Urgent Call to Every Member of Dixie Council No 43 Jr. O. U. A. M.

Every member of Dixie council is urged to attend a meeting on Feb. the 3rd 1906, as business of great importance to every member is to be transacted at that meeting. Take notice and govern yourselves accordingly. Done by order of council assembled Jan the 20th, 1906.

B. F. Adams,
Recording Secretary.

Dispensary Money For Schools.

Over One Hundred Thousand Dollars Apportioned Among the Counties this Week—What each County gets for its Schools.

Columbia Record, Jan. 25th.

Comptroller General Jones today announced the final distribution of the state dispensary profits for 1905 which go to the school funds of the various counties. Another distribution had already been made. The total in this final distribution is slightly over one hundred thousand dollars. The following is a statement of the division:

Abbeville.....	\$ 3,097.70
Aiken.....	2,880.75
Anderson.....	4,560.75
Bamberg.....	1,467.75
Barnwell.....	2,425.10
Beauford.....	1,380.80
Berkeley.....	1,866.65
Charleston.....	4,580.25
Cherokee.....	1,537.60
Chester.....	2,163.10
Chesterfield.....	1,516.75
Clarendon.....	2,132.00
Colleton.....	2,008.75
Darlington.....	2,003.25
Dorchester.....	1,021.70
Edgefield.....	2,094.30
Fairfield.....	2,511.60
Florence.....	2,231.60
Georgetown.....	1,149.05
Greenville.....	4,224.20
Greenwood.....	2,531.50
Hampton.....	1,723.85
Horry.....	2,101.50
Kershaw.....	1,601.95
Lancaster.....	2,235.35
Laurens.....	2,741.35
Lee.....	1,544.50
Lexington.....	2,318.20
Marion.....	2,897.75
Marlboro.....	1,979.65
Newberry.....	2,392.85
Oconee.....	2,086.40
Orangeburg.....	4,938.75
Pickens.....	1,807.40
Richland.....	3,037.85
Saluda.....	1,835.45
Spartanburg.....	5,242.10
Sumter.....	2,440.45
Union.....	2,153.50
Williamsburg.....	2,316.15
York.....	3,497.35

Total.....\$100,241.50

The total amount of state dispensary profits during 1905 was \$168,675.77. The balance from the previous year was \$50,000. The total distributed was \$218,675.78, paid out as follows. In April, 1905, to county treasurers for county schools, \$112,434.27; summer school, \$1,000; teachers institute, \$5,000, and the distribution just made, \$100,241.50.

—Granville Massey, col., was accidentally shot in the face at Osceola last Monday, by Mr. W. B. Yandle, who was shooting at a bird. The wounded man was taken to Monroe for treatment. It is thought that he will lose an eye.

One Hundred Students Leave Negro College.

Talladega, Ala., Jan. 22.—Over 100 students left Talladega College (colored) today because a Southern white man, L. O. Parks, of this county, was employed as superintendent of the college farm. The students demanded his discharge, and that was refused by President R. M. Nice. They appealed to Dr. S. H. Baird, secretary of the American Missionary Society, of New York, which fosters Talladega College.

Talladega, Ala., Jan. 24.—The student strike at Talladega college for negroes broke out anew today. It is said that at a conference of the faculty and students it was agreed that Mr. Parks should remain as superintendent of the farm, but when it came to putting this in writing to be issued in a circular, the students again revolted and resolutely refused to work under Mr. Parks. President Nice broke off relations with them and as matter now stands the disruption of the school may result. It is reported on the streets that there is a rupture in the faculty; but this is denied by the president and others, although they will not discuss the matter.

The report that Mr. Parks had a difficulty with one of the students is untrue. That he is a Southerner is the only complaint against him.

Gen. Wheeler Dead.

The Famous Confederate Cavalry Leader Succumbs to an Attack of Pneumonia.

New York, Jan. 25.—General Joseph Wheeler, the famous Confederate cavalry leader and a brigadier general of the United States army since the war with Spain, died at 5:35 o'clock this afternoon at the home of his sister, Mrs. Sterling Smith, in Brooklyn. The veteran of two wars was 69 years old, but in spite of his age, there was hope until yesterday of his recovery from the attack of pneumonia, which caused his death.

Child's Body Found in Well.

Special to The State:

Anderson, Jan. 24.—The body of a child, apparently white and about 10 years of age, was found in an old well in the western part of the city this morning. The discovery was made by a negro, who for fright or some other reason did not report this gruesome find until tonight.

The coroner has been notified and the body will be removed from the well tomorrow for identification. It is in an advanced stage of decomposition. There is no clue whatever to the mystery and not even the race or sex of the body can be ascertained before morning.

A Happy Occasion.

A Public Official Substantially Remembered by his Neighbors on the 57th Anniversary of his Birth.

A most agreeable surprise awaited County Supervisor M. O. Gardner on his return home from Lancaster last Saturday evening. Mr. Gardner had forgotten that the day was his birthday, but his neighbors and friends had not, for they assembled at his home to the number of about one hundred and fifty, to help the popular county official celebrate the event. Mr. Gardner was the recipient of a regular "pounding," which he most gratefully appreciates. It was his 57th birthday.

Cochran's Confirmation Held Up at Request of Spooner.

Washington cor. The Columbia State:

The confirmation of Ernest F. Cochran as district attorney has been held up in the committee at the request of Senator Spooner. It is reported that Capt. Capers instigated this. Being asked about it he said that he had not seen Senator Spooner since he came here but admitted that his friends among the Republican senators had held up the confirmation. "It is not an attempt to defeat Mr. Cochran," he said. "I would not do anything in the world to do that. In fact I expect to go before the committee myself and ask that Mr. Cochran be confirmed. I will probably do that tomorrow."

"What then is the meaning of this hold up," he was asked.

"It means," said Mr. Capers, "merely that my friends in the senate, of whom I have a number, are unwilling to call this matter a closed incident, as my enemies have been trying to have it called, until I have had a hearing."

Capt. Capers expects to make a statement tomorrow.

Senator Tillman says that the holding up of Cochran's confirmation means nothing at all; will be confirmed all right. "Capers and Cochran both begin with the same letter and these who asked for delay may think that somehow the president got the names mixed," in the way he laughed at the matter when asked about it.

Basket Supper.

There will be a basket supper at upper Camp Creek Friday night, Feb. 2nd. Proceeds are to go to the church. Public cordially invited.

Committee

Misses Maggie Steele
Maggie Hallman
Lessie Montgomery
Minnie Morris
Lessie Motherhead
Fannie McIlwain
Cora Roberts
Leola Williams.